

# Report to the Joint Legislative Committee on Local Government

Pursuant to S.L. 2017-130, Sec. 4(c)  
BUILDING CODE REGULATORY REFORM

January 15, 2018

Name of Inspection Department: Catawba County

Name of person preparing report: Rick Frady, CBO

Signature of person:



Date of report: January 9, 2018

*Submit this report electronically to Brad Krehely, Staff Attorney,  
Legislative Analysis Division, at [brad.krehely@ncleg.net](mailto:brad.krehely@ncleg.net).*

*\*\* Please attach any written procedures that may have been developed to implement the provisions of this law and the outcomes of any informal reviews. \*\**

☒ Check to indicate that organization implemented a process for an informal internal review of inspection decisions made by the department's inspectors. Refer to S.L. 2017-130, Section 4(a) (counties) or 4(b) (cities) for further details about this requirement.

☒ Check to indicate that this process established a procedure whereby the inspector's supervisor conducts an initial review of inspectors' decisions. Refer to S.L. 2017-130, Section 4(a) (counties) or 4(b) (cities) for further details about this requirement.

☒ Check to indicate that this process included written procedures for the inspections department to follow when a permit holder or applicant requests an internal review of an inspector's decision. Refer to S.L. 2017-130, Section 4(a) (counties) or 4(b) (cities) for further details about this requirement.

☒ Check to indicate that this organization includes in or with each permit issued by the department (i) the name, phone number, and email address of the supervisor of each inspector and (ii) a notice of availability of the informal internal review process. Refer to S.L. 2017-130, Section 4(a) (counties) or 4(b) (cities) for further details about this requirement.

State the number of times this organization conducted an informal internal review process in the previous calendar year: **One**



CATAWBA COUNTY  
INSPECTION COMPLAINT REPORT  
WITH COMPLAINT DATES FROM 12/1/2017 TO 12/31/2017

CASE NUMBER	INSPECTION TYPE	STATUS	END DATE	INSPECTOR
BLDR-11-2016-078626	Outside Rough	Approved	11/27/2017	Damon White

INSPECTION CHECKLIST COMMENTS

Other Inspector Comments      Ok to cover

COMPLAINT DATE	12/01/2017	COMPLAINT BY	Mark Sigmon
RESOLUTION DATE	12/01/2017	INSPECTION COMPLAINT	Wanting to use a building for future wedding venue that is permit is written for a resedential barn with loft apartment
ATTENDEES	Reid Goforth Rick Frady	RESOLUTION COMMENTS	Resolved  Went over the fact with the owner that as the permit is written and inspected it will not meet the min. requirements for a wedding venue. Advised owner of his need to consult with environmental health and Newton zoning as well as an architect and decide which way to proceed with this project. Owner was advised that project will stay on hold and no further inspections until which time permits are amended for the residential or plans are submitted for a commercial building use.



## CATAWBA COUNTY PERMIT

### ELECTRICAL (C) Signs

P. O. Box 389  
25 Government Drive  
Newton, North Carolina 28658

Phone 828-465-8399  
Newton FAX 828-465-8962

[www.catawbacountync.gov](http://www.catawbacountync.gov)

<b>PERMIT NO:</b>	<b>ELEC-01-2018-093806</b>
<b>APPLIED:</b>	01/03/2018
<b>ISSUED:</b>	01/03/2018
<b>EXPIRES:</b>	07/05/2018

IVR PIN#

<b>Owner</b>	LLOYDCO LLC, 9551 KENNEDY HILL RD, MEADVILLE PA 16335
<b>Contractor</b>	*LKN MEDIA GROUP INC, 125 OVERHILL DRIVE, MOORESVILLE NC 28117 C:7046629991 KEN@LKNMEDIA.COM ** NO PEOPLESOF ACCOUNT ASSIGNED **
<b>Contractor</b>	ELECTRIC FIXES, 614 BRAWLEY RD, CLEVELAND NC 27013 C:7046346402

PROPERTY ID#:369607580239  
STREET ADDRESS:6477 E NC 150 HWY, SHERRILLS FORD NC 28673

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:wire sign / New 8x6 ground sign with electric  
DIRECTIONS:6477 E NC 150 - Sherrills Ford

WORK CLASS:	Signs	TOTAL SQ FT	0.00
TYPE OF USE:	Sign		

INVOICE#:

<u>FEE DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>FEE AMOUNT</u>
Electrical Ground Sign Fee	01/03/2018	\$61.00
<b>TOTAL FEES</b>		<b>\$61.00</b>

The County has an agreement with Republic Services of NC granting them an exclusive license to transport and dispose of all solid waste, including construction and demolition debris in the unincorporated areas of the County. The approval of your application for a construction/building permit is made specifically contingent upon your agreement not to utilize any other business or company to transport and/or dispose of solid waste from construction site(s). Failure to comply with this provision may result in assessment of fines up to \$500 per day. Call Republic Services, Hickory at 828-624-2453 for your disposal needs.

This permit is issued on the express condition that the above work shall conform in all respects to the statements certified to in the application for such permit, and that all work shall be done in accordance with all applicable zoning, building, electrical, plumbing and mechanical ordinances of Catawba County and the State of North Carolina.

A permit issued for work under this Code shall expire by limitations six months after the date of issuance if the work authorized (FOOTINGS ARE CONSIDERED 1st INSPECTION ON NEW CONSTRUCTION) has not been commenced. If after commencement the work is discontinued for a period of 12 months, the permit therefore shall expire. If a project expires, a minimum fee per the current fee schedule will be charged for each building and trade permit to reactivate the project.

\*\*\*AN ADDITIONAL CHARGE PER THE CURRENT FEE SCHEDULE MAY BE ASSESSED  
FOR EACH UNWARRANTED INSPECTION SCHEDULED \*\*\*

If there are any questions, please contact the office between 8:00a.m. and 5:00p.m.

Request for an informal internal review per GS153A-352(f) may be requested **Only** if issue cannot be resolved with the inspector of record.

Contact: Building Services Field Supervisor Reid Goforth

Desk phone: 828-464-7880 Cell phone: 828-312-5709 Email: [reid@catawbacountync.gov](mailto:reid@catawbacountync.gov)

## Informal Internal Review

Procedure for processing a request for an informal internal review per GS153A-352(f) of the inspection decision made by the department's inspector.

1-Request shall be from the permit holder by email requesting a review of the specific code reference of disagreement.

2- Request must be entered in the workflow of the associated permit and contact information must be verified to be correct as well as email of request to be attached.

3-Supervisor must review the code in question with reference to all interpretations, commentary and any related codes or mfg. instructions. The supervisor will contact the inspector of record in order to inquire and review the inspector reasoning for the noted code violation.

4-Supervisor will set the appointment with the permit holder to consider any information that can be provided by the permit holder.

4-Supervisor will consider all information gathered and provide a ruling based on the review. The ruling will be recorded on the permit associated to reflect decision made by supervisor and any supporting statements.

5- Permit holder will be notified of decision made. Final ruling through the informal internal review can be appealed to the Chief Building Official in order to initiate a formal review that will include notification to the NCDOI Engineering Division.

The below wording is to be included in all permit issued to make the permit holder aware of the informal internal review option.

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